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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR NEW MAILING DATE

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Office Action mailed November 20, 1992, in the above-identified application be remailed with a new effective mailing date.

A response was mailed in this application on July 28, 1992. When no further Office Action had been received after six months, the undersigned contacted the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding the status of the application. On February 19, 1993, the undersigned spoke with Tina Plunkett who stated that an Office Action had been mailed three months earlier. Since the Office Action had not been received, the undersigned specifically requested that the Office Action be remailed with a new effective mailing date. The undersigned specifically stated that in view of the short time remaining in the three month period to respond,

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and the need to report the Office Action to the inventor, that it was <u>not</u> acceptable simply to telecopy the Office Action to the undersigned. On March 17, 1993, Angela Rossi called Ms. Plunkett to advise her that the Office Action had not yet been received. On March 18, 1993, a copy of the Office Action bearing the date of November 20, 1992, was telefaxed.

In view of the fact that the Office Action was not received in time to respond before the expiration of the three month time limit, and that the Office Action finally rejects the pending claims, applicant believes that the Office Action should be mailed with a new date.

Should a petition to the Commissioner be required in this matter, please forward this document and charge the appropriate fees for a small entity to our deposit account no. 11-0855. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: March 19, 1993

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